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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 19 December 2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 2-5, 8-16, 18-29, 31-42, 44-53, 71 and 72 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) 72 is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 3, 4, 8, 10, 11, 15, 20, 33, 41, 42, 44-53 and 71 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 2, 5, 9, 12-14, 16, 18, 19 and 21-27 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 27 January 2004 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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DETAILED ACTION

I. ACTION SUMMARY

Claims 2-5, 8-16, 18-29, 31-42, 44-53, 71 and 72 are currently pending. Claim 1, 6-7, 17, 30, 43, and 54-70 are cancelled. Claim 71 is newly added and hereby withdrawn as not being drawn to the elected invention, namely compounds. Claim 72 is withdrawn as being drawn to a non-elected invention. 37 C.F.R. § 1.142(b).

II. INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

The supplemental information disclosure statements (IDS) submitted on January 20, 2006 and December 19, 2005 are in compliance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97. Accordingly, the information disclosure statement has been considered by the examiner. The supplemental IDS submitted on January 20, 2006 is not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 because dates for references with citation number HF and HG do not have dates. Please provide date for these references.

III. RESTRICTION/ELECTION

A. Response to Formal Matters

Applicant's election with traverse of Group (I), originally claims 1-53, drawn to compounds and compositions, in the reply filed on December 19, 2005 is acknowledged. Applicant has submitted Amendments to the Claims on December 19, 2005. The elected

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invention reads on claims 2-5, 8-16, 18-29, 31-42, 44-53, and 71. The traversal is on the ground(s) that the restriction with in Group (I), is improper under 35 M.P.E.P. §803.02. (See Remarks, pp. 27-29). This is not found persuasive because as stated in the Actions, the inventions of Group (I), namely, claim 1 (now cancelled) are independent and distinct.

The election of specie requirement was a *provisional election for search purposes*. Alternatively the compounds and compositions of group (I) present a burden because the compounds are independent and distinct. For example, a 7 membered heterocyclic rings containing at least one nitrogen are classified in the U.S. Classification System in class 540, while a 6 membered heterocyclic rings containing at least one nitrogen and one or more heteroatoms are classified in class 544 and other six membered heterocyclic rings containing one nitrogen are classified in 546. Five memebered rings containing at least one nitrogen are classified in class 548. Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and have acquired a separate status in the art as shown by their different classification, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper. The requirement is still deemed proper and is therefore made FINAL.

B. Response to Arguments

1. Obviousness-Type Rejection

Applicant's arguments, see Remarks, filed on December 19, 2005, with respect to the provisional double patenting rejection have been fully considered. In view of the amendments to

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the claims filed on December 19, 2005, claims 2-14 depend from new claim 71, which is drawn to a morpholine and not a piperazine. Thus the rejection of claims 2-14 have been obviated.

However, applicants arguments pertaining to the obviousness rejection of claims 41-53 is not persuasive and is therefore maintained. To obviate this rejection, the applicant should submit a terminal disclaimer.

2. 35 U.S.C. 112,1st Rejection

Applicant's arguments, see Remarks, filed on December 19, 2005, with respect to 35 U.S.C. 112 rejection with respect to claims 41 and 49 have been fully considered and are persuasive. The rejection is withdrawn.

3. 35 U.S.C. 112,2nd Rejection

Applicant's arguments, see Remarks, filed on December 19, 2005, with respect to 35 U.S.C. 112, 2nd rejection with respect to claims 41-53 and 1, 15, 23, 28, 36, 41 and 49 have been fully considered. Upon further consideration of the claim amendments, the rejections have been obviated.

IV. REJECTION(S)

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

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Claim 71 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being incomplete for omitting essential structural cooperative relationships of elements, such omission amounting to a gap between the necessary structural connections. See MPEP § 2172.01. Claim 71 states "each carbon of the heterocyclic ring has the formula CJ_2 ." However, the definition of J_2 is neither disclosed in the Specification nor the claim. The variable J_2 is unclear because J_2 may be an independent variable or maybe Applicant means to say $C(J)_2$.

Claims 3 and 4 recite the limitation "one or more substituent" in reference to substitution on the piperidine ring of claim 71. There is insufficient antecedent basis for this limitation in the claim because the structure appears to be drawn to a piperidine ring with one substitution, namely "W." Claim 71 states that each carbon member of the ring has the formula CJ_2 , but " J_2 " is ambiguous as it has not been defined and it is undetermined whether applicant intend $C(J)_2$.

Claim 10 recites the limitation "wherein the compound is a salt." There is insufficient antecedent basis for the abovementioned limitation because claim 71 is not drawn to a salt form.

Claim 8 recites the limitation "wherein the six member heterocyclic ring comprises one or more additional nitrogen, oxygen or sulfur atom." There is insufficient antecedent basis for the abovementioned limitation because claim 8 depends from claim 71 and claim 71 is drawn to a piperidine ring.

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Claim 11 recites the limitation “ wherein the compound is a mono-TFA salt, a mono-HCl salt, a bis-TFA salt or a bis-HCl salt” There is insufficient antecedent basis for the abovementioned limitation because claim 71 is not drawn to a salt form.

Claims 20, 33 and 46 recite the limitation “methoxy.” There is insufficient antecedent basis for the abovementioned limitation because the claims from which the rejected claims depend (*i.e.* 15, 28 and 41, respectively) do not recite methoxy as a definition for z’.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

Claims 15 and 20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by *Banasiak, et al.*, (EP 209763 A1). The *Banasiak, et al.* reference discloses 2, 6-dimethyl, 4-nitrophenyl morpholinacetic acid. (See, Attachment A, Accession No. 1987:156487 HCAPLUS). The reference anticipates the instant invention wherein x’ is oxygen, LG is 4-nitrophenyl, and where z’ (ortho to the oxygen atom on the morpholine ring) are CH₃ and the other is hydrogen.

Claims 41, 44 and 46 are rejected as being anticipated by *Sawayama, et al.*, (JP 01125357 A2). (See, Attachment B, Accession No. 1990:7937 HCAPLUS). The *Sawayama, et al.*

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reference anticipates the instant invention where x' is oxygen, z' is methyl at the N-linked carbon), LG is 2,5-pyrrolidinedione and where Pg is a benzyl group.

V. ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

The allowable subject matter includes the compounds and compositions of claims 28, 29, 31-32, 34-40.

VI. OBJECTION(S)

Dependent Claim Objections

Dependent Claims 2-14, 16, 18-27, 42, and 44-53 are also objected to as being dependent upon a rejected based claim. To overcome this objection and assuming the dependent claim is not rejected, Applicant should rewrite said claims in an independent form and include the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claim.

VII. CONCLUSION

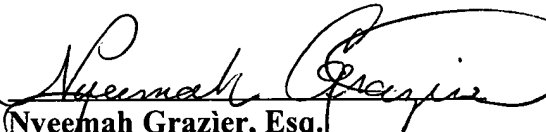
Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Nyeemah Grazier whose telephone number is (571) 272-8781. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Thursday and every other Friday from 8:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Joseph K. McKane, can be reached on (571) 272 - 0699. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (571) 273-8300.

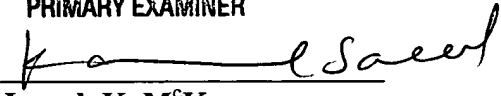
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ATTACHMENT A

ATTACHMENT B